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**Subject: Notice of Preparation of Draft Environmental Impact Report for the
1 AMD Place Redevelopment Project**

Dear Ms. Caruso,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments regarding the Notice of Preparation (NOP) of Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the 1 AMD Place Redevelopment Project. The City of Santa Clara would like to highlight main points of concern and areas of proposed extended analysis below for your consideration.

- The City of Santa Clara uses criteria within the VTA TIA Guidelines as a basis for determining study intersections. Accordingly, municipal and CMP intersections with ten or more project trips per approach lane should be analyzed. It is likely that project trips would travel to employment areas within Santa Clara. Intersections along Great America Parkway, Mission College Boulevard, Scott Boulevard, and Tasman Drive should be included in the traffic analysis.
- According to the CMP Guidelines, the TIA report must also include an analysis of bicycle and pedestrian facilities in terms of their availability, project effects on future bike/pedestrian plans, and improvements proposed by the project. Maps and information on existing and planned bicycle facilities within Santa Clara can be found on the City's website: <http://santaclaraca.gov/government/departments/public-works/engineering/committees/bicycle-and-pedestrian-advisory-committee>.
- The project site is located near the western boundary of the City of Santa Clara. Relevant approved projects within Santa Clara need to be included in the study estimates of the background traffic volumes such as City Place Phases 1-3. This is consistent with the CMP TIA Guidelines. Please contact the Planning Division for the list of approved projects within the City of Santa Clara.
- Similarly, pending projects within Santa Clara needs to be incorporated in the Cumulative traffic volume estimates, such as full buildout of City Place, in order to reflect the growth in both the local and regional traffic. Please contact the Planning Division for the list of pending projects within the City of Santa Clara.



- Any physical improvements required or planned at study intersections needs to evaluate secondary impacts to alternative modes of transportation.
- Fair share contributions should be made for significant impacts found along roadways and/or intersections including the expressways.

The City of Santa Clara thanks you for the opportunity to review and comment on the NOP. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions regarding our comments.

Sincerely,

Andrew Crabtree
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